

A RAILROAD president who goes about making speeches for a financial system which effectually destroys the farming class and discourages production is really the worst enemy of his own railroad. Railroad profits are based on passenger fares and freights. If the farmer is too poor to travel, the railroad loses his fare. If the farmer cannot produce at a profit, he will not produce or ship farm products, and the railroad loses the freights. If the farmer is impoverished by the gold standard he cannot buy and the goods shipped to the farmers are therefore reduced in value. Here again the railroad loses. No wonder so many of these roads are in the hands of receivers and practically bankrupt. The gold standard has done it. The stockholders suffer and possibly the bond holders may suffer also; but it sometimes happens that a railroad comes to grief while its officers and managers are rich and thriving. "Railroad wrecking" has become one of the fine arts of Wall street. Nothing can be more evident than that the true interests of production and of transportation of products are in harmony, and if railroads are run for the benefit of stockholders and the public, free silver coinage is what they need to lift them out of the mire they are now in. We are aware that they want "government by injunction" to reach strikers, but it would be better to adopt a system that will give us good times, and then trouble with the railroad employees would very rarely, if ever occur. All would thrive and there would be no strikes to bother them.

WHAT COUNTRY was ever injured by having too much gold and silver, or specie money? Does history supply an example of a country that has not had its industries quickened and developed by an influx of specie money? Look at the hundred years and more following the outcome of the great silver and gold mining discoveries of Peru and Mexico. Look at the unbounded prosperity following the discovery of gold in Australia and California. Those were the most progressive and happy days in American history. Many countries, including our own, have been injured by an excess of paper issues, but not one by too much of gold and silver. That contraction of the money volume is a curse, no candid man can deny. In two years we have had a contraction as shown by the Treasury tables of one hundred and fifty million dollars. To abrogate the use of either gold or silver, means a contraction of the currency, an arrest of production and hardship to debtors. The gold advocates tell us that for a number of years past we have been on the gold standard. From 1878 to 1890 we coined twenty to thirty millions of silver dollars per annum. We were far better off then than now. Will any man say he is better off now than he was then? Are the hard times we have had as the result of the gold standard going to be changed for the better by a double dose of what has done the mischief? Do we not need a change in our financial policy? If so, the way to get it is to vote for Bryan, and not for the ticket of Mark Hanna and McKinley. That means more contraction and more bond issues.

IF MR. BRYAN be elected, a Congress will be chosen of his way of thinking, and measures will be adopted by which the millionaires, whose property was acquired by means of special legislation in their favor and is protected and secured by the government, will be

DIED.
At the Infirmary, in this city, on Sunday morning, November 1st, FRANCIS E. CAR-

er. The latter, however, seemed at home with the order of things, and had evidently expected a hostile reception. He had replies for most of his interloc-

"I have received from the chairman of each of our State committees full estimates of the standing of voters in each State and am confident that Mr. Bryan's election is assured by a very large majority. We will carry the fol-

Miss Bessie Helvestine, daughter of Mr. Mr. Lewis Helvestine, of Clarke county, was married at Berryville last Wednesday to Er. Raleigh C. Carter, son of Mr. W. H. Carter of that county.

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